

GOVERNMENT PROBES SCHOOL LUNCH BOX

Special Report on Meals of Pupils Made by Caroline Hunt.

FINDS MANY WAYS TO IMPROVE DIETS

Culture as Well as Hygiene One of Objects of Investigation for Uncle Sam.

By JOHN SNURE.

United States Commissioner of Education Elmer Ellsworth Brown, has secured the issue through the Department of the Interior of a bulletin prepared by Caroline L. Hunt, on the subject of "The Daily Meals of School Children."

This bulletin is likely to attract wide attention among educators and in educational circles and among all who are interested in the question of the feeding of school children.

It would seem, from the tenor of the observations made in this Bureau of Education bulletin, that there are great opportunities for culture and training in the humble piece of pie and the sandwich, and that the possibilities of education are not confined to the primer and the speller, to the geography book and the multiplication table.

Will Train Children. If Miss Hunt's ideas are carried out, the country is likely to become so well trained in respect of table manners that the man who eats pie with his knife will be ostracized and there will be none so crude and crass as to fail to understand the proper and the improper uses of the napkin.

However, other important suggestions are contained in the bulletin prepared by Miss Hunt, who emphasizes strongly the growing importance that is being attached in all civilized countries to the problem of attending to the proper feeding of school children.

Miss Hunt was for four years professor of home economics in the University of Wisconsin. Dwell on the importance of the proper feeding of school children, Miss Hunt says the "proper feeding of school children involves not only questions of hygiene but of educational policy and social economy, questions which are only beginning to receive serious consideration."

Many Pupils Hungry. "Of late," says Miss Hunt, "this important subject is being brought to our attention in new forms. Reports that many school children, particularly in large cities, are coming to school hungry, or are so underfed as to be unable to take advantage of the instruction offered them, have raised the question whether free meals for school children may not be a necessary means of securing that equality of opportunity for which our public school system stands."

After bread, education is the cry of those who are urging the feeding of school children at public expense.

"Again the growing emphasis which is being placed upon the value of the informal education of the schools—that which is given silently by the surroundings of the child, and which is efficacious in the formation of cleanly and healthful habits and of good taste—makes it seem desirable that any food which the child takes in the school building, even if it is taken from a lunch box, should be so served as to contribute to his training. We are beginning, in fact, to see cultural possibilities in the nontime intermission which up to a short time ago were unrecognized even in educational circles."

Argument for Free Food. In reality, though not outwardly, Miss Hunt's bulletin constitutes a powerful showing for the public feeding of school children. It is shown that great progress has been made in this direction in Great Britain, France and some other foreign countries.

One of the striking features of the report is the evidence presented that food obtained by school children from push cart and small shops is a menace to health, neither wholesome nor safe. This statement is made:

"The principal of the Friends' School, in Washington, had trouble with push-cart men. One day a pupil whose father is manager of a large hotel said in a speech before the school that a push-cart man had offered to buy all the ice cream left on the plates in his father's hotel. This statement put an end to the push-cart trouble in that school."

THIS NEGRO'S PLEA PROVES ALL IN VAIN

MONTCLAIR, N. J., May 10.—"When a man finds a pocketbook containing 20 cents and returns it to the owner, isn't that an evidence of his sanity?" asked a young negro of Sergeant McGarry at the police station here. The man, who gave his name as Egbert Huntley, then began to sing hymns and the sergeant had him locked up.

Investigation revealed that Huntley had been discharged from the State Asylum for the Insane, at Morris Plains, three days ago. He was returned to that institution today.

Swift & Company's sales of fresh beef in Washington for the week ending Saturday, May 8, averaged 9.20 cts. per lb.—Adv.

J. PLUVIUS LETS UP FOR CIRCUS PAGEANT

"Peerless Parade" Passes in Review Before City—All Old Friends There—Clowns and Kings and Queens Galore.

Alf Ringling, the well-known circus owner, and his carless cohorts, led a mile or more of fearful fauna from foreign fields, bands, innumerable clowns, camels, elephants, one eel, and several mounted policemen over the leading streets of Washington this morning, in the first real, true parade of the spring season.

It was a bully parade, and everyone of the thousands who lined the sidewalks from Fifteenth and H streets, where the peerless pageant started piling, to the east front of the Capitol, where about noon it backed into its first trail, seemed to look with pleasure and profit to it.

There were thousands of school children along the route which Mr. Ringling selected for the peerless, most of the youngsters released from morning school and all unmindful of rain or anything else, except the wild beasts and the clowns.

The bi-horned rhinoceros, "the only one in captivity," seemed a little peeved all along the line of march, but he didn't say anything until he came opposite the White House, and then he let out a terrible bellow which sounded like a cross between a flat-wheel car going up Fourteenth street and an army mule.

"He's saluting 'Teddy,'" said one wise lad standing in front of the Mansion.

Everyone There. Geraldine, the beautiful equestrienne, with the black velvet dress and the gold trimmings, riding one cream-colored horse and driving tandem two others; the team of camels, the lady snake-charmer in the glass cage surrounded by sullen serpents; the clown

BONDS OF RAILROAD BRING GOOD PRICES

Sale of St. Louis and San Francisco 5's Attracts Attention of Local Investors.

Local investors are manifesting keen interest in the sale by Speyer & Co., of New York, of \$10,000,000 St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad Company, general lien, 15-20 year, 5 per cent gold bonds at 91 and accrued interest.

At this price the bonds yield about 5 1/2 per cent per annum. The gilt-edged character of these bonds is shown in the fact that they are a direct obligation upon the company, covering all of its property described in the mortgage and any property hereafter acquired with the proceeds of the bonds. On June 1, 1909, upon the redemption of the St. Louis, Memphis and Southeastern Railroad Company's 4 1/2 per cent bonds, the 5 per cent bonds will become first mortgage on 665 miles of road of the latter company, subject only to \$489,125 existing bonds, for the redemption of which general lien bonds are reserved.

The average surplus of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad Company, exclusive of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois railroad, for each of the four fiscal years 1906, 1907, 1908, and 1909, after providing for all fixed charges, amounted to \$1,267,728, and the gross and net earnings for the ten months ended April 30, 1909, are considerably in excess of those months of last year.

PHYSICIAN'S BODY TO BE CREMATED

The body of Dr. H. F. Luerssen will be cremated at Lee's undertaking establishment at the conclusion of the funeral exercises to be held at that place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Dr. Luerssen was thirty-four years of age and died yesterday morning from fracture of the skull resulting from a fall down the steps leading from the photograph gallery he conducted at 617 Seventh street. He leaves a wife and two children.

DR. MARY WALKER O. K.'S SHEATH GOWNS

OSWEGO, N. Y., May 10.—Dr. Mary Walker, whose wearing of masculine attire has made her name known throughout the country for many years, in an interview today said she approved of sheath gowns, but condemned scanty stage costumes. She has no intention of abandoning her trousers for a sheath gown, however.

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GOV. SPRY OF UTAH URGES DATE CHANGE

Writes H. B. F. Macfarland That Inaugural Date Is Inconvenient for West.

In accepting membership on the national committee to change the inauguration date, Gov. William Spry, of Utah, in a letter to Commissioner Macfarland, calls attention to the fact that the occasion now comes at a time when the attendance of Western governors is prevented because the State legislatures are always in session.

"A later date," writes Governor Spry, "would make it possible for many representative men to participate in the inauguration proceedings." Commissioner Macfarland said this morning that the committee is awaiting organization of the body in Congress to which the bill will be presented, and in the meantime is perfecting its own organization by securing the co-operation of the governors of the States and Territories. Forty-four governors have accepted membership.

BROOKE FUNERAL HELD TOMORROW

The funeral of Dr. Roger Brooke will take place tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock from the family residence at Sandy Spring. Dr. Brooke was sixty-three years of age, and had been ill about two weeks, heart trouble being the cause of death. He practiced his profession thirty years at Sandy Spring, where he was born.

He leaves a wife, three daughters, and two sons, one of the latter being Capt. Roger Brooke, Jr., of the Army Medical Corps.

RIVAL SUSPECTED

JERSEY CITY, May 10.—The police believe a jealous rival sent a box of poisoned candy to fifteen-year-old Lucy Ketschinski, of 25 Brunswick street, and they expect to make an arrest tomorrow. The girl has a host of admirers. One of them, a boy of seventeen, transferred his affections to her from one of her girl friends, who is under police suspicion.

Popular Excursion, Sunday, May 16th. Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Round trip, \$1.00 to Harpers Ferry and Martinsburg; \$1.35 to Berkeley Springs, and \$2.00 to Cumberland. Special train leaves Washington 8:15 a. m., returning same day.—Adv.

OFFICER OF NAVY IS IN HOSPITAL

LOS ANGELES, May 10.—Lieutenant Commander James E. Walker, U. S. N., governor of the island of Guam, is an inmate of the Pacific Hospital in this city suffering from severe nervous strain. Commander Walker came to this city about three weeks ago apparently in the best of health. He became ill Tuesday, however, and his condition is now regarded as serious. He succeeded Commander Taussig as governor of Guam some months ago.

WORK FOR PRISONERS.

WINTSEB, Conn., May 10.—Business being dull in the workshop in the county jail at Litchfield, inmates of the institution are employed building new bleachers on the baseball park. Assistant Jailor Judson keeps a watchful eye on the men as they work, to see that none escape. After this work is completed, the men will put the grounds in shape.

DECLARES WOMAN HOLDS HUSBAND

SAN FRANCISCO, May 10.—"Turn my husband loose and give me damages," forms the text of the bill of complaint filed against Mrs. Margaret Ferguson by Mrs. Minnie Townsend, in this city, in which the complainant alleges the defendant is holding her husband prisoner by hypnotic influence. Mrs. Townsend claims she has been unable to see her husband, who has been forcibly deprived of his liberty through the baneful influence of Mrs. Ferguson.

JULIA WARD HOWE NOT IN POOR HEALTH

BOSTON, May 10.—The report that Mrs. Julia Ward Howe was in dangerously poor health was this morning proven untrue. "I am very well, thank you," she replied to a question. "I go out for a walk every pleasant day and will live many more years. I will be ninety years old May 27."

MAY YOHE MARRIED FOR THE THIRD TIME

PORTLAND, Ore., May 10.—Announcement is made here that May Yohe, formerly Mrs. Putnam Bradley Strong, also formerly Lady Francis Hope, has taken the name of Murphy, together with the heart, hand and fortunes of a young Canadian lumberman of that name. The marriage is reported to have been performed in this city, secretly, more than a year ago, and coupled with the marriage announcement is the statement that Mrs. Yohe-Strong-Hope-Murphy is endeavoring to secure a divorce.

CLOCK STARTS FIRE.

NEWCASTLE, Del., May 10.—When the alarm clock at the home of Julia Connor rang at 6 o'clock it fell from the mantel upon a lamp, which exploded and set the room on fire. The blaze was discovered by outsiders who awakened the house and then extinguished the flames, but not before the bedding and much furniture had been damaged.

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at 39c yd.

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Black and white checks, White grounds with colored checks, Natural-color pongees with dots, Natural ponges in scroll figures, Black and white stripes, Twilled foulards with blue and black grounds and white dots, Semi-rough pongees in all colors, Twilled foulards in fancy figured effects.

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27-inch Satin-faced Shantung, 19-inch Swiss Messalines, 27-inch Black Dress Taffeta Silks, 27-inch Semi-rough Shantung Silks.

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at 49c yd.

Only 700 yards in all. They go fast. Do you want any of them? Come early. Here's what you'll find:

46-inch Satin Striped Marquisettes, 36-inch Smooth Finish Pongees, 19-inch Ivory Taffeta Silks, 19-inch Imported Black Dress Taffeta, 27-inch Waterproof Black Habutai, 36-inch White Washable Habutai.

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